

**STATE WATER BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 2005 - 0073**

**ADOPTION OF THE INTEGRATED COASTAL WATERSHED MANAGEMENT (ICWM)
PLANNING GRANT FUNDING LIST AND CONCURRENCE WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF
WATER RESOURCES INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT (IRWM)
PLANNING GRANT FUNDING LIST**

WHEREAS:

1. Proposition 50, the Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002, authorizes approximately \$380 million in grants for the development of IRWM Plans or ICWM Plans, and to implement projects that meet the requirements of the Guidelines to the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), Division of Financial Assistance for local assistance in the IRWM Grant Program;
2. The IRWM Grant Program is administered jointly by the Department of Water Resources (DWR) and the State Water Board and is intended to create a new model for water management;
3. The IRWM Program Guidelines were adopted by the State Water Board on November 18, 2004;
4. In accordance with the requirements of Proposition 50 and as amended by budget trailer bills, Assembly Bill 1747 and Senate Bill 1049, public participation in the development of the Proposal Solicitation Packages has been provided through public workshops and applicant assistance workshops;
5. In accordance with the IRWM Program Guidelines, there is approximately \$12 million available for IRWM or ICWM planning grants from which approximately \$2 million of the State Water Board's funding allocation is available for ICWM plans;
6. In response to the public's request for additional planning grant funds, DWR has made available an additional amount of approximately \$3 million for IRWM planning grants;
7. ICWM Program is being managed in accordance with the adopted IRWM Guidelines;
8. The State Water Board and DWR jointly released the IRWM Planning Grant Proposal Solicitation Package (PSP) in March 2005 with a May 12, 2005, submittal deadline to the Financial Assistance Application Submittal Tool system;
9. The proposals were reviewed for technical merit based on criteria outlined in the IRWM Planning Grant PSP, and the projects recommended for funding have shown competitive technical merit and have provided adequate information for grant agreement preparation;
10. The ICWM Planning Grant proposals have demonstrated that the proposed planning area is located in a coastal watershed that influences water quality in an area of special biological significance;
11. Grant program funding recommendations were prepared by review panels and forwarded to the Selection Committee for review and recommendation in accordance with the process specified in the IRWM Planning Grant PSP;
12. An ICWM Planning Grant Funding List with grants totaling \$2,104,046 (Exhibit A) has been recommended to the State Water Board; and

13. DWR is considering approval of an IRWM Planning Grant Funding List in October 2005 with grants totaling approximately \$13,139,410 (Exhibit B).


THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board:

1. Approves the ICWM Planning Grant Funding List and authorizes staff to issue grant agreements or amendments; and
2. Concurs with DWR's approved IRWM Planning Grant Funding List except Pin 4816 - Upper San Joaquin River Conceptual Restoration Plan (San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors Water Authority).

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Clerk to the Board, does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the State Water Resources Control Board held on October 20, 2005.


Debbie Irvin
Clerk to the Board

